IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2 STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND ENCOURAGING THE STATE OF
3   IDAHO AND STATE AGENCIES TO IDENTIFY BARRIERS TO PARTNERSHIP
4   WITH FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND TO IMPROVE
5   OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCH PARTNERSHIP.

6 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7   WHEREAS, current difficult economic conditions are impacting the lives of many Ida-
8 hoans; and
9   WHEREAS, demand for social services is rising as economic conditions worsen; and
10   WHEREAS, the state of Idaho's social service system is incapable of assisting all of those
11 in need; and
12   WHEREAS, faith-based and community organizations are prepared to serve a vital role in
13 assisting those in need; and
14   WHEREAS, coordination between Idaho State government and faith-based and commu-
15 nity organizations is unknown; and
16   WHEREAS, the state of Idaho desires to partner with faith-based and community organi-
17 zations to deliver services to those in need.
18   NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the First Regular Session of
19 the Sixtieth Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein,
20 that the state of Idaho and its agencies are encouraged to identify current barriers to partnership
21 with faith-based and community organizations.
22   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state of Idaho and its agencies are encouraged to
23 identify current partnerships with faith-based and community organizations.
24   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state of Idaho and its agencies are encouraged to
25 report back to the Governor and the Legislature their findings regarding barriers to and current
26 partnerships with faith-based and community organizations.
27   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state of Idaho and its agencies are encouraged to
28 convene a conference in conjunction with members of the faith-based and community organiza-
29 tions to begin a dialogue and improve opportunities for partnership.